

# GREENVILLE TECHNICAL CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

## PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

GTCHS is proud to be an award-winning charter high school; part of our success is due to the quality of our faculty. We have more than 85% of teachers with a Master's Degree or higher. This is partly due to the freedom and flexibility to hire up to 25% of faculty who are qualified, but not necessarily certified, teachers. What does this mean? It means that if there are teachers with the appropriate background and skills, we can hire them despite them not being a SC certified teacher. While we know this can be a controversial choice for some, we have found it to give us access to people who not only have an extraordinary passion for their field of study, but an extraordinary passion for kids. Our administration annually evaluates every teacher in our building through the state system of setting student learning objectives, regardless of their state certification status. Administration also regularly visits classrooms and provides feedback to assist teachers in honing their craft and improving their quality of instruction.

*In compliance with the requirements of the Every Students Succeeds Act, parents may request the following information:*

1. *Whether the student's teacher –*
  - *has met State qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction*
  - *is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; and*
  - *is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher*
2. *Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.*

If you wish to request any information concerning your child's teacher and/or paraprofessional's qualifications, please contact our Assistant Principal of Instruction (864-250-8845).